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STUDENT NURSES' PAGE

HOW WE SENT A REPRESENTATIVE TO SEATTLE

By JOSEPHINE NICHOLS

ON THE evening of May 8, the idea of sending a student nurse to the national convention at Seattle was presented to us. Pictures were shown, and each of us was filled with the desire to make the trip and attend the convention. A mass meeting was called at which it was decided that we should send at least one student. The next and biggest question was, "How are we going to raise the money?" Class meetings were held and plans were discussed.

It was decided that two candidates should be chosen by each class from its own ranks. These names were submitted to an advisory board, consisting of the superintendent of nurses, the educational director, and the president of the Alumnae Association. The name of the candidate chosen by them was to be withheld until all the money was raised, so that all would be interested.

Each class elected committees and immediately began work. Posters appeared in every conceivable place, and a great deal of class rivalry was shown. The Sophomore class had a Service Committee with an office and a registry. Mending, washing, sewing, pressing, facial massage, answering telephones, cleaning rooms, bed making, shoe shining, shampooing, etc.

The Junior class also made a specialty of their beauty parlor; socks were mended, the price varying with the size of the hole. Sweaters were knitted, suits cleaned and pressed. Breakfast was served on Sunday mornings at the

dormitory and proved to be very enjoyable as well as profitable.

The Freshman class raised its money in the novel way of making dress forms.

Tuesday afternoon was "Swingout" on the campus, (the traditional opening of Senior activities), and as everyone felt like celebrating, the Junior class thought it would be an opportune time to make some money by giving a dance. The orchestra donated its services.

The Senior class held a strawberry festival. Unfortunately it rained, so that the attendance was not as large as had been expected. There was no financial loss, however, as the strawberries were made into jam and sold.

The most successful venture was a carnival given at the dormitory. Booths were erected. A cake was raffled and brought \$8; the person who won it then sold the pieces for ten cents each. There was a dance to try "ringing the cat," the cats being made of black stockings stuffed with cotton and the rings being embroidery hoops. The living room served as a dance hall. The fortune telling room was well patronized, as our superintendent of nurses and educational director have enviable reputations as palmists.

Several people contributed generously and upon collecting all our funds we found we had enough. We feel that the campaign has brought students, faculty, and alumnae into closer relationship and has helped develop a better school spirit.